Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—(d) and (e) Am I to understand that these persons, the undegraduate head clerks of long experience and strongly recommended by the Departmental Head will get a chance of becoming the Registrars only when there is pausity of candidates with better qualifications?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—I said the other day that the policy of the Government was to appoint graduates and if possible graduates-in-law.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there not a circular from the Government that the claims of undergraduates will not be unheaded because of the existence of graduates in service?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—Yes. That relates only to the clerical establishment.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Am I to understand that the claims of these persons will be considered only when there are no graduates?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—I have already stated what the practice at present obtains is.

Olarikkara Aided School.

525. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether the Olarikkara Aided School is now in existence ;

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the negative, how and when the aided school came to an end ;

(c) what were the classes and divisions at work on the last day of its existence ;

(d) how many of such classes and divisions were working without aid from its start still its annihilation ;

(e) how long was the aided school in existence;

(f) was any building or furniture grant claimed by the Manager or granted by the Government;

(g) when was the last bill passed in favour of the Manager;

(h) when was the staff list for educational year 1106—1107 approved by the department ;

(i) is there a Sirkar school brought into existence in place of the aided school ; if so, from which date ;

(j) what are the divisions and classes at work in the Sirkar school newly started ;

(k) whether the teachers of the aided school have all been taken on to the staff of the Sirkar school ; if not, who are left behind ;

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(l) is the right for promotion of any one in service prejudicially affected by these teachers being taken over into Sirkar service ;

(m) have there been complaints from men in service about this ;

(n) was there a request from the Manager that if the Sirkar has decided to take over the school, the site, buildings, furniture, etc., may also be taken over by the Government ; how was this request disposed of ;

(o) did the department try to find out a good Manager if it was dissatisfied with the existing management ;

(p) is it a fact thatHis Lordship the Bishop of Trichur was willing to take over the school and put it under proper management if the department was not satisfied with the existing management ;

(q) was not such a suggestion made to the Government by the Manager ;

(r) was His Lordship consulted in the matter when such a suggestion was made by the Manager ;

(s) did any one undertake the management, and if so, whether the offer was accepted ; if not, why ;

(t) what has it cost the Government to equip the Sirkar school (site, buiding, furniture, etc., included);

(u) what is the monthly expenditure of running the new Sirkar school ;

(v) what was the monthly grant to the aided school ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) No.

(b) Recognition was withdrawn and thus the school came to an end on 24th Dhanu 1107.

(c) Classes IV A and B
Do III A, B and C
Do II A, B, C and D
Do I A, B, C, D and E
according to the Manager's records.

(d) Class III C and Classes IV A and B Grant was sanctioned to these classes from the re-opening in Edavam. 1105—1106, but the Manager could not draw it as the grant of the school was stopped, as it was not properly managed.

(e) From 1102.

(f) Neither.

(g) In Makaram 1106.

(h) 9th January 1932.

(i) Yes. 24th Dhanu 1107.

(j) Classes IV, III A and B, II A, B and C and I A and B

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(k) All except a pensioner, P. P. Lonappan.

(l) The appointment of the Headmaster as acting P2 is only temporary and hence cannot prejudicially affect the claims of those already in service for all times.

(m) Yes.

(n) Yes; but they were not worthy to be taken over to Government.

(o) Yes.

(p) This offer came not from the Bishop, but from the local Church and that on terms which the department could not accept. When the school was being taken over by the Sirkar the Bishop expressed his willingness to find some suitable Manager.

(q) Such a suggestion was not made by the Manager.

(r) No answer is required.

(s) No one whom the department considered satisfactory undertook the management.

(t) Site—Poramboke. Rs. 500.

(u) Rs. 152.

(v) Rs. 154—12—0.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What is the distance of this Olarikkara school from the office of the Director of Public Instruction?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Very roughly it must be some where between 2 to 3 miles.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—(c). It is stated here "according to the manager's records". May I know whether the Government is satisfied with this register? Did the Government accept these divisions as existing or not?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—That will be more or less deduced from Sub-division (j). Practically the whole school is working with a smaller number of divisions. These classes could not have been working.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—For what length of period was such a state of affairs continuing?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I have no information. As soon as I came I found this sort of thing. How long ago it began, I don't know.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—When it was run as an aided school, how many visits were made by the Director of Public Instruction in the month of Makaram or Kumbham 1106?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I don't remember exactly. I have made more than one visit.

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Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Are there not written in the Visitors' Book glowing remarks about this institution by the Director of Public Instruction?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I think I have written glowing remarks about the work of the teachers, about some of the other appliances.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Did this defect of want of classes exist at the time of the Director's visit?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I did not check the attendance. I did not actually look into the registers. I can easily say, looking at the size of the building that, if these classes were held even with the minimum strength, these could not be held there, that the building cannot hold all these classes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was half time system followed in that school?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I want notice. But even if the half-time system was followed, it will affect only one class.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Does not the half-time system apply to classes one and two?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Even if they were working on the half-time system the building could not hold all these divisions if they had the requisite schedule strength.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether the practice is not to hold one division in the morning and the other in the evening?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Yes,

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—(v). The grant to the school is Rs. 154—12—0; was that the grant to all the classes as are mentioned in sub-division (c) ?

Mr. I. N Menon.—To all the classes which were aided, because some classes were not aided.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What will be the approximate difference between the working of a Primary School run by the Sirkar and through aided agency ;

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Although it can be raised as a supplementary question to this, the answer must be of a general nature, because it refers to the actual working of the schools run by the Government and by private agency. That is one of the problems which we are going to find out and to see whether it is more expensive. So I cannot give an answer now.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—The monthly grant is Rs. 154—12—0. The expenditure for running a Sirkar school is only Rs. 152. Rs. 2—12—0 is in excess. The impression is that it is more expensive. I want to know therefore what will be the approximate difference, not actual figures.

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Mr. I. N Menon.—It is not possible to give it, but I shall explain this difference if the Hon'ble Member wants.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—No (p). How far did the Government advance in the matter of this aided school being taken over by the Government ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Money has been sanctioned by Government for a temporary building. Orders were given for the furniture and lands were being acquired. At that time His Lordship promised to run the school and to find some suitable Manager.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was it then too late to try the experiment pointed out by the Trichur Bishop ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—There was no necessity to try the experiment. All the process had been gone through. The building only had to be put up. There was therefore no necessity to try the experiment.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—It is stated that the cost of equipment will be Rs. 500. Can I take it that this is normal cost of equipping the school by the Sirkar ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—That is only a temporary building.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—How many more rupees will be required for putting up the proper building and for running the divisions that are now being run ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—All Government schools are not of the same kind of buildings. Some are rented and some are not of the same structure. It would be difficult to say unless I know the actual cost.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Can I know what is the cost sanctioned by Government for the school that is being completed at Ottupara? That is Middle Primary School.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—In the case of Sirkar schools, the buildings of the type mentioned, the approximate cost per class room would be about Rs. 800.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—And furniture?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—It will depend upon the strength.

Appointment powers of District Registrars.

526. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what are the appointment powers of District Registrars

(b) does not appointment power include granting of leave, transfer, degradation, etc. ;

(c) have circulars been issued by the Registration Superintendent early in 1107 to the effect that leave applications from peons have to be submitted to the Superintendent before granting leave ;

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